

PORTFOLIO MANAGER – LIVESTOCK

Context and Purpose:

Kenya Markets Trust (KMT)’s goal and mission is embodied in its motto: “better markets, better lives.” KMT is currently implementing the Kenya Market Assistance Programme (MAP) to improve the performance of selected market systems, catalysing private sector development and boosting overall competitiveness while strengthening the performance and position of poor people.

As a member or the livestock sector team, the Portfolio Manager- Livestock will focus on processing industries as part of the Livestock Sector strategy and will work with selected ‘market actors’ (e.g. processors, county governments) and other partners in the meat industry to pilot, review and scale up successful interventions (e.g. new or improved support services, business models, technologies, relationships, and improved coordination between industry players.). You will provide technical support to county governments that are investing in processing facilities in the areas of, feasibility studies, PPP models, attracting investment and planning for management turn-around. You will also lead the process of measuring outcomes and reporting on the livestock sector work with stakeholders and will facilitate wider lesson learning and knowledge management.

The position has the following primary Objectives:

- Strategic and technical management of sector interventions.
- Effective facilitation of ‘market actor’ partners (e.g. private sector and county government).
- Effective teamwork and coordination across the MAP team.
- Effective knowledge management and learning to improve performance.

Reporting to the Senior Portfolio Manager – Livestock, you will be expected to:

- Regularly participate in analysis, strategy-setting and intervention planning.
- Manage the Livestock portfolio and make considerable contributions the regular portfolio review meetings.
- Ensure that quality technical support is provided to processing industries in the areas of supply chain development, livestock sourcing and process development.
- Ensure quality technical support to county governments on feasibility of processing infrastructure, PPP models, securing investment and structuring management turn-around plans.
- Proactively identify new opportunities for pro poor growth of the meat processing system, and other components of the livestock strategy.
- Produce learning documentation (intervention briefs, case studies, white papers) as agreed upon and in coordination with Knowledge and Results and Communications teams.
- Work closely with the Knowledge and Results, Water, Inputs and Cross-Cutting teams to coordinate efforts and identify opportunities for synergy.
- Work closely with consultants, clarifying roles and support them as required.

Experience and skills

- Degree in a relevant discipline such as Agribusiness, Development Studies, Business Management, or an equivalent. Post graduate qualification in relevant discipline.
- At least 2 years’ experience of working on private sector development programs, preferably in the livestock sector. Alternative experience includes working in the meat industry in Kenya, preferably including pastoral communities. Individuals with



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expertise/experience in ranch management, veterinary services and or meat retail are particularly encouraged to apply.

- Experience of stakeholder engagement; developing partnerships and managing relationships with donors, private sector, civil society actors, consultancies and government;
- Ability to review business plans and feasibility studies;
- Understanding of a market development approach or a keen willingness to learn;
- Strong leadership skills and ability to set a strategic vision and deliver results with a team;
- Analytical and writing skills and experience in evidence-based reporting of results;
- Communication and interpersonal skills, and experience in coaching staff; financial management and reporting, and
- Education to degree level in a relevant discipline such as Economics, Agribusiness, Development Studies, Business Management, Finance and Accounting, or Marketing.

How to apply: Send your application including a cover letter indicating your desire to work with our client; a detailed CV highlighting relevant experience, details of current and expected salary, a daytime phone contact, email address, names of three professional referees and a recent photo to:

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Closing Date: Friday 13th June 2014

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